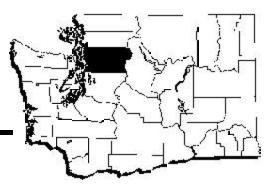
# Snohomish County WIC Facts 2003



% infants born served by WIC 40.7%

WIC food dollar contribution to local economy \$6,403,933

### WIC foods purchased

383,883 gallons of milk 224,066 boxes of cereal 155,728 cartons of eggs

## **WIC serves**

Total women and children served 17 Infants and young children	7,969
Diverse families	
Caucasian 59	9.9%
Hispanic 23	3.4%
African American/Black !	
Asian/Pacific Islander	7.1%
Native American/American Indian	4.1%
Working families Percent of WIC households with at least one working family member	<b>64</b> %
Families living in poverty Percent of WIC households with income at or below the federal poverty level <sup>1</sup> (less than \$1,336 per month for a family of 3)	62%
Military families  Number of women and children on WIC who serve in the military or live in military households	- 419



WIC attracts families to preventive health services

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## WIC agencies and sites

Pregnancy Aid/WIC of Snohomish County

Arlington

**Everett** 

**Granite Falls** 

Lynnwood

Marysville

Monroe

Snohomish

Tulalip Health Clinic Marysville

#### Statewide WIC Facts

- WIC served 48.2% of all infants born in Washington state
- WIC served 260,000 women and children WIC provides nutritious foods, nutrition education, referrals and breastfeeding information.
- WIC contributed \$94.5 million to local economies
- WIC attracted families to preventive health services In 2003, more than 19,400 calls to the Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies statewide referral line were from families calling for WIC.<sup>2</sup> With this one call, they got help finding WIC and also received information about other preventive health services.
- WIC was a gateway to health-related services
   Over 1.3 million times last year, WIC staff discussed these services with families and provided the information and support needed to access them successfully.
- WIC breastfeeding rate reached 83.2%<sup>3</sup>
   Breastfeeding support and education are key parts of WIC because breastfed children have fewer infections and are less likely to develop chronic conditions like obesity and diabetes later in life.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Washington WIC Client Information Management System (CIMS), household income at or below 105% federal poverty level

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of Washington State, Quarterly Report, 4th Quarter 2003

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "Mothers Survey, Ross Products Division, and Abbott Laboratories." © 2003 - Abbott Laboratories.